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MEMORANDUM FOR: Executive Director-Comptroller

THROUGH : Deputy Director for Support

SUBJECT : Flood Hazards in Locating and Disposal of Federally
Owned or Leased Properties

REFERENCE : Ltr dtd 19 Jun 72 to Mr. Helms fm Mr. Maughan,
Director, US Water Resources Council,
same subject

1. This memorandum contains recommendations for your approval;
such recommendations are contained in paragraph 3.

2. The referenced letter refers to Executive Order 11296 and recent implementing guidelines and instructions which require each executive agency to develop procedures and regulations to carry out the Executive Order, "Evaluation of Flood Hazard in Locating Federally Owned or Financed Buildings, Roads, and Other Facilities, and in Disposing of Federal Lands and Properties." The following comments are provided based on our review of Executive Order 11296 and the guidelines produced by the United States Water Resources Council:

a. This Executive Order is particularly applicable to executive agencies of the Government who have large construction and land management programs and who dispense Federal funds for such programs. These departments would have to promulgate procedures and regulations to ensure that their programs provide for eliminating or reducing flood problems that might result should locations and construction occur on flood plains; such agencies include the Department of the Interior, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and the General Services Administration (GSA).

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b. Present and future Agency requirements for construction or relocation of facilities are minimal. The Headquarters Garage and the [REDACTED] are the only currently approved new construction projects, and these facilities have been sited in consideration of flood plain hazards. All Agency construction and disposal actions falling under the purview of this Executive Order are administered by one of the major Government design and construction agencies such as the Corps of Engineers [REDACTED] and USA for overt requirements here in the Metropolitan Washington area. All such actions have and will be accomplished under the guidelines, procedures, and regulations presently implemented by these agencies; accordingly, the objective of this Executive Order will be achieved.

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c. With regard to our [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] organization would be appropriate for new construction; however, guidance from Headquarters would be provided to ensure that Agency requirements are met and, at the same time, compliance with all applicable executive orders. Although these [REDACTED] installations have experienced no flooding during occupancy by the Agency, this Office, in compliance with the Executive Order, will task these stations to identify, delineate, and record past and potential flood height levels. Such data will be considered as constraints within which all construction project planning and master planning will be accomplished.

d. The Director of Logistics has been assigned the responsibility for ensuring compliance with similar executive orders, such as that concerning the protection of the environment. Therefore, it is considered appropriate that the Office of Logistics be similarly assigned in this instance to ensure compliance through executive agencies of the Government geared to respond to the spirit of this Executive Order.

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/s/

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[REDACTED]
Acting Director of Logistics

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The recommendations contained in paragraph 3 are approved.

W. E. Colby

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Executive Director-Comptroller

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c. With regard to our [REDACTED] field activities, i.e., [REDACTED] and the [REDACTED], the procedures and regulations of the parent cover organization would be appropriate for new construction; however, guidance from Headquarters would be provided to ensure that Agency requirements are met and, at the same time, compliance with all applicable executive orders. Although these [REDACTED] field installations have experienced no flooding during occupancy by the Agency, this Office, in compliance with the Executive Order, will task these stations to identify, delineate, and record past and potential flood height levels. Such data will be considered as constraints within which all construction project planning and master planning will be accomplished.

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